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11. (SBU) Per reftel, Embassy Buenos Aires will seek to place in local media an op-ed being drafted in the Department and will use its Strategic Distribution Initiative (SDI) to circulate background materials on Cuba to approximately 3,500 local contacts.

12. (SBU) Post contacted a local NGO, the Center for the Opening and Development of Latin America (CADAL), which has uniquely and persistently flagged concerns for freedom in Cuba. CADAL said it was organizing some outreach to young Argentines to enlist their support for the plight of Cuba's prisoners of conscience, and post offered its assistance.

13. (SBU) Post is also seeking to contact Dr. Roberto Quinones, the son of Cuban neurosurgeon Hilda Molina who, since 1994, has been denied permission to leave Cuba to join her family. If Quinones is available and agreeable to a meeting, post would use the meeting to draw attention to Dr. Molina's plight.

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